

F.B.I. Chief Donates Royalties

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 (AP)—Justice Department officials said today royalties from a new book on communism being written by J. Edgar Hoover would go to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Recreation Association. Mr. Hoover is director of the F. B. I. The book, "Masters of Deceit," is scheduled for publication by Henry Holt & Co.

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By ED SULLIVAN

Men and Maids, and Stuff

The Berliner Zeitung named the most widely read authors in East Germany: A. J. Cronin, Graham Greene, Ernest Hemingway and Jean-Paul Sartre. Only Russian author: Dostoevski. . . . Did Tennessee Williams fire his psychoanalyst? . . . The Darryl Zanucks back together. . . . Ida Cantor in Cedars of Lebanon with a slipped disk. . . . Conrad Hilton's current heart, Columbia



Connie
Moore

actress Dorothy Johnson. She'll fly to Cuba in his private plane for opening of Havana-Hilton. . . . The John (Helen Parrish) Guedels will greet the baby in August. . . . Chris Dunphy wired that Mrs. Walter Shirley and Tony De Marco's Palm Beach Show raised \$40,000 for Bev Smith's Heart Fund. Elsa Maxwell



Ernest
Hemingway

flew from N.Y. to introduce Hugh O'Brien, Billy De Wolfe, Jay Nemeth, Connie Moore, Jay Rignaud.

Dick Aldrich Jr. honeymooning with Margot Le Boutillier. . . . J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit" off the Henry Holt presses March 10. . . . The Donald (Fernanda Wanamaker) Leas expect Sir Stork. . . . Barbara Hutton's son, Lance, courting Bob Crosby's daughter, Cathy. . . . Maurice Chevalier into Waldorf, April 14. . . . Gregory Peck's wife, Veronique, flu victim. . . . John (Gillette) Coleman and Joan Tabor canceled. . . . The Bill Taylors (she is daughter of ex-U. S. ambassador to Spain, Carlton Hayes) called the baby Elizabeth. . . . Ben Gazzara and Elaine Stritch resumed. . . . Sammy Davis Jr. undergoing nose surgery after Chicago date. . . . Charles Chaplin Jr. dancing with Lillian Hartnoy. . . . By the time "Portofino" opens Feb. 21, producer Richard Ney may have a sleeper on his hands, thanks to revamping job by Karl Genus.

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HY GARDNER CALLING

J. Edgar Hoover's frightening eye-opener in his power-punched Henry Holt book on the Red Menace, "Masters of Deceit," due March 10: "When the Communist Party was at its peak in the United States (80,000 in 1944) it was stronger in numbers than the Soviet Party was at the time it seized power in Russia!"

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Walter Winchell

of New York

J. Edgar Hoover's tome, "Masters of Deceit," makes one thing clear: The decrease in the number of native Reds doesn't lessen the danger of Communism. As a matter of fact, Red leaders have frequently pointed out that one or two Communists in the proper place can better serve the Red cause than masses. One Klaus Fuchs gave away the secrets of the A-bomb.

One Benedict Arnold can destroy a nation—if there are millions of Rip Van Winkles.

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New York Cavalcade:

Saga of a Big Ticker

By LOUIS SOBOL

G-man J. Edgar Hoover snacking at the Cafe de La Paix of the St. Moritz

author of a new book which deserves wide reading—"Masters of Deceit"—exposing the machinations of the Com-mies in America... Patachou, fresh in from Paree, with her producer, Arthur Lesser, try to dig the jazz at Eddie



SOBOL

Condor's Patachou opens in Lesser's "In-ternational Soirree," March 12th, at the Bijou... Times Square flicker bulbs rotating and humming like satellitingales on Manhattan's Glowry Road... Kurt Kaz-ner is among those gathered at Cafe Grin-zing—off shortly he says, to Europe, for his role in "Journey," co-starring Yul Brynner and Deborah Kerr... Deborah kept pretty much to her hotel suite here, incidentally, both-ered with a bad cold... The shocked buzz along film row here, when the news comes that Harry Cohn, head-man of Columbia Pictures, has passed away... One head of a movie firm grimly insisted he was thinking of quitting while he's ahead—pointing to the recent decimation of the ranks among movie biggies.

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THE RIGHT TO GO LEFT: With the March 10th publication of J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit" exposing Communists, their fronts, fellow travelers, sympathizers and dupes, the left-wing establishment is now readying a campaign of vilification against the top G-Man. It will dwarf all past character assassinations. The so-called Liberal press is being marshalled, TV and radio commentators are being briefed, high-brow book critics are alerted, and from every corner of the country will come poisoned shafts of smear, innuendo, and slander aimed at the destruction of the man who has done more to preserve your fast slipping freedom and liberty than anyone alive.

New York Confidential
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J. EDGAR HOOVER'S NEW BOOK REVEALS

How to Fight Red

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MASTERS OF DECEIT, by J. Edgar Hoover
(Henry Holt & Co., \$5).

By CLARK KINNAIRD

RARELY does a book have such significance and impact as this one. Of course, it is going to make news, have far-reaching reverberations, be attacked, and remain one of the best read books of the year.

Readers could be expected to raise a demand for J. Edgar Hoover to be a full-fledged delegate to any "summit" conference the United States is induced to hold with Communist dictators. It appears that there is no one else in the United States Government less likely to be deceived by the Aesopian language and intentions of the unrelenting Red conquerors of Russia, Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Armenia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Albania, East Germany, mainland China, Outer Mongolia, North Korea, Hungary, Rumania.

Others may wish to believe and assume that their underground force is not a serious internal menace in the United States, but Mr. Hoover does not. He says so emphatically. With a courage which seems greater now and more important than that of Daniel Webster, Sam Houston, George W. Norris and others with whom John F. Kennedy associated himself vicariously in his book, "Profiles in Courage."

Mr. Hoover declines to agree with decisions of the United States Supreme Court that the Communist Party, U.S.A., is not an arm of the Soviet government. He indicates plainly what he thinks of the intelligence of those who seem to regard Congressional investigations of communism as greater menaces to civil liberties than communism itself—as it has proven itself to be over and over.

To him, "There is no doubt that America is now the prime target of international communism." He advises that the United States "cannot afford the luxury of waiting for communism to run its course like other oppressive dictatorships. The weapons of communism are still formidable. They become even more effective when we lower our guard and, when we become lax in strengthening our democratic institutions."

Mr. Hoover has far more to say about what he obviously regards as the most important duty of the FBI today than Don Whitehead told in last year's "The FBI Story." Whitehead wrote as an outsider. Needless to say, no one could write as inside an inside story of the FBI as J. Edgar Hoover, its director since 1924, and the man unquestionably responsible for making it the premier police organization in the free world.

In "Masters of Deceit" he does not pretend to disclose

a body of material known exclusively to the FBI. He includes other material necessary to make it a primer for those who want to know the story of communism in America and how to fight it.

He naturally begins with a straightforward account of

the origins of the Communist revolutionary movement in the philosophy of Marx and Engels, and how this was distilled and forced upon Russia by Lenin. He shows the writings of Lenin and his chief disciple, Stalin, to be a "Mein Kampf" from which the undeviating course of Red Fascism can be plainly read.

The story of the organization and formative years of the Communist Party in this country, which is now virtually suppressed in the most widely circulated American reference volumes, is told by Mr. Hoover in natural sequence. He shows that leader after leader who deviated, or was suspected of deviating from the line of action handed down in Moscow, was deposed from the Communist Party, U.S.A.

The man who is in the best position to know says that today the Party remains "a vast reservoir of potential espionage agents. Moreover, its vast propaganda and ideological program is daily saturating their hearts, minds, and souls with a sympathetic acceptance of communism. To be a Party member does not automatically mean being an espionage agent, but does make the member potential spy material.

This is a tremendous and present danger to our security. The United States is strategic spy target Number One for the Soviets."

Mr. Hoover does not divulge much that is new about specific spy cases such as the treason of Fuchs, the Rosenbergs, Morton Sobell, etc. What he does reveal more comprehensively than anyone else has in a book is the vast network of Communist-organized and Communist-infiltrated organizations existing in this country.

He shows how two or three trained, determined, patient concealed members of the Communist Party can get into a heretofore respectable organization having loyal purposes, and transform it into a "transmission belt" for Communist propaganda and Communist aggressive action.

He cites the Sacco and Vanzetti case, the Scottsboro case, and the "Trenton Twelve" case as instances of how these infiltrated organizations and "fronts," organized by the Party with catch-phrase names, serve the Party's strategy, set class against class, group against group, to "divide and rule."

The FBI director names "American Peace Mobilization," "Civil Rights Congress," "Emergency Civil Liberties Committee," "Peoples Rights Party," "The Jefferson School of Social Science," "American Youth Congress," "National Negro Congress," "American League Against War and Fascism," "American Youth Congress" as examples of organizations created, backed or captured by Communists.

"Masters of Deceit" gives a long list of Communist "fronts" which should serve as a warning of how Communists entrap unwary Americans with such words or phrases

as "civil rights," "democracy," "anti-discrimination," "welfare," "peace," etc.

It is clear from the record set down by Mr. Hoover that Communists are operating today within groups of clergy-men, teachers, lawyers, doctors, union officials, actors, writers, farmers. But he cannot be fairly accused of "character assassination." He does not give any names or recognizable identities of persons not already convicted.

There is no basis for hurling the epithet "McCarthyism" at his book. (McCarthy's name is not used anywhere in the book; there is no reference to the efficient job the Communists did in arousing non-Communists against McCarthy's attacks on communism.)

But there is no question of its arousing hundreds of thousands.

Conspirators Against the American Way

MASTERS OF DECEIT: The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It. By J. Edgar Hoover. 374 pp. New York: Henry Holt & Co. \$5.

By JOHN B. OAKES

THE thesis on which J. Edgar Hoover bases this informal study of American Communists and American communism is that the Communist party within the United States is a clear and present danger to us today. It is a view that not all of his 170 million anti-Communist fellow-Americans will readily accept. But if Mr. Hoover did not regard it with deadly seriousness, he would have hardly taken time out from his busy life as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to write "The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It," as his book is subtitled.

Starting with a brief look at the development of Marxism in Europe, he traces its growth in the United States and analyzes its appeal, its organization and its activity in this country. He offers many anecdotes illustrating how American Communists live, why they join the party, why they break with the party, how they think, how they operate, how they agitate, how they work above ground and underground.

He presents examples of the various types of Communist adherent: full member, concealed member, fellow traveler, "opportunist" and, finally, the "dupe," the deceived citizen who unwittingly works for the party. He tells how the party is organized and how it requires iron discipline of its members who

Mr. Oakes is a member of The Times editorial board.

in a very literal sense have to subject their lives to its demands. His own strongly religious bent repeatedly comes out in the emphasis he places on a connection between adherence to communism and lack of a personal religious belief.

It is useful to have a man of Mr. Hoover's position emphatically call attention to the danger of tarring with the Communist brush those citizens who have nothing to do with communism but may, for quite independent reasons, support persons or causes that are also supported by the Communists.

"TOO often have I seen cases where loyal and patriotic but misguided Americans have thought they were 'fighting communism' by slapping the label of 'Red' or 'Communist' on anybody who happened to be different from them or to have ideas with which they did not agree. Sins, character assassination and the scattering of irresponsible charges have no place in this nation. They create division, suspicion and distrust among loyal Americans—just what the Communists want—and hinder rather than aid the fight against communism."

There is at times a naive and at times a slightly dated quality to the contents of Mr. Hoover's book, which, as he himself says, is written "in almost primer form." It is dated because American communism itself is dated, with no longer any strength or influence, with no "front" organizations of any power, with no toe-hold in government, in labor, in the press, in any significant area of American life. If you accept his thesis that the American Communist party is today "a power

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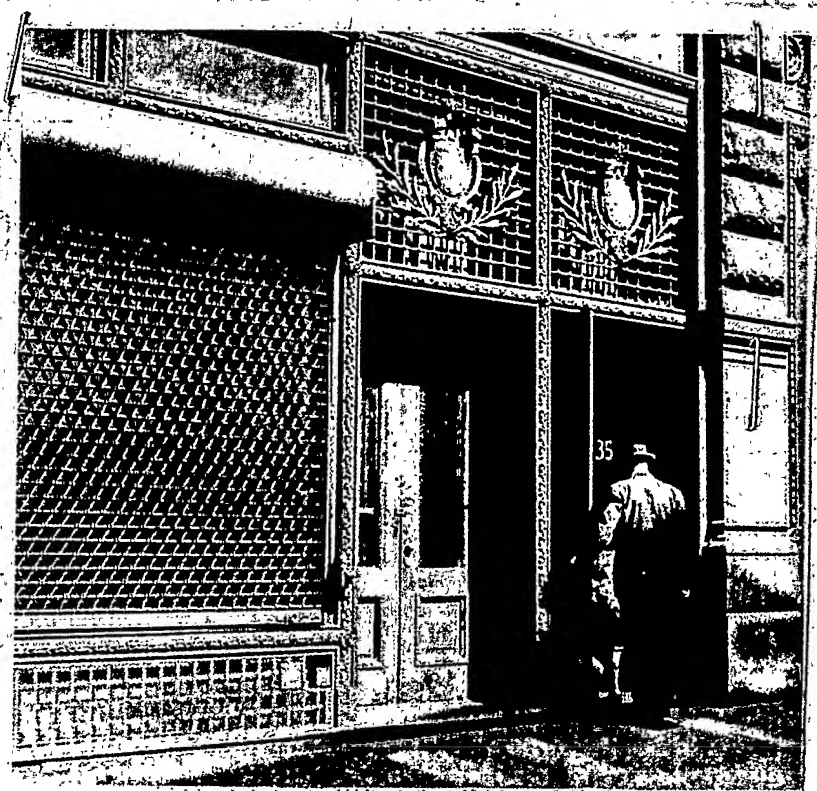
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ful monster endangering us all," then his book will doubtless give you some sleepless nights.

If, however, you consider that the Communist party in this country has dwindled from an all-time high of 80,000 in the early Forties to less than 8,000 today (included among whom, one presumes, there are a considerable number of F. B. I. agents boring from within); if you recall that The Daily Worker has recently died of malnutrition; that the party has been torn with bitter dissension; that it has largely lost what hold it had in the labor movement; that its influence among minority groups is minimal—if you recall these facts, most of which are to be found in Mr. Hoover's book, then you may well wonder how justified his alarm really is. Mr. Hoover, however, believes that the statistics do not tell the whole story, and that the Communists in America could "overnight" * * * expand into a mass organization of great potential power." That's a doctrine at this point hard to swallow.

EVERYONE familiar with the record will go along with Mr. Hoover's belief that the Communist party in America forms "a dedicated, conspiratorial group," more loyal to Soviet Russia than to the United States and quite willing to subvert our own Government and institutions if it ever gets the chance. Of course it must be constantly watched and guarded against. Most of us, however, have enough confidence in Mr. Hoover's highly efficient F. B. I. to feel quite certain that the handful of Communists and even of non-Communist sympathizers still existing in our country offers little genuine



35 East 12th St.; New York headquarters of the Communist party, 1950.

menace to American democracy. It is quite possible that the high crime rate, juvenile delinquency, bad health and housing conditions, infringement or denial of civil rights may be more of an internal menace to our institutions and our security than the Communist party of the United States and its little group of American camp-followers.

Overemphasis on the dangers arising from that "futile and impotent political sect," as one of its most prominent recent deserters calls it, runs the risk of diverting public attention from possibly greater dangers to our country. These may be found both in conditions that could give rise to communism at home and in the rapid spread of Russian Communist imperialist influence and doctrine in

the "uncommitted" countries abroad. Mr. Hoover himself recognizes the necessity for a positive approach in the struggle against communism, when he says that what we basically need is "renewed zeal to work untiringly to uphold the ideals of justice and liberty."

This must mean justice and liberty abroad as well as at home, for at this juncture in world history it seems more likely that the fundamental democratic struggle against communism and what it stands for will be fought—let us hope in cold competition rather than hot war—on the plains of India, in the sands of the Middle East, under the African sun, rather than in a conspiratorial cellar in a back alley of some American city.

J. Edgar Hoover's Case History Of American Communism at Work

MASTERS OF DECEIT.

By J. Edgar Hoover. 374 pp. New York: Henry Holt and Company. \$5.

Reviewed by
HARRY W. BAEHR

THIS is a practical manual of the Communist conspiracy, and how to fight it, prepared by a sane, dedicated and experienced public official. J. Edgar Hoover is primarily responsible for the development of an organization—the Federal Bureau of Investigation—which represents what is probably the best possible answer, within the framework of American institutions, to the problem of subversion. He has access to a vast amount of detailed information about the workings of communism; he does not indulge in wishful thinking about the “failure” of the Communist party in the United States, but neither does he vent panic-stricken cries for a vigilante-type response to the continuing threat.

Mr. Hoover begins at the beginning—with the origins of Marxism and the personalities of the three men (he rather slights Engels) who were chiefly instrumental in shaping international communism: Marx, Lenin and Stalin. It may be argued that he has somewhat oversimplified their respective contributions, but the author is not concerned to produce a definitive treatise on theoretical Marxism or on Russian history since the

October Revolution. For the purpose of laying a groundwork on which to expose the operations of the conspiracy within the United States, the historical and theoretical discussion is adequate and necessary.

To advance their cause—conspiratorial, revolutionary and intended to insure the triumph of a minority through violence and dictatorship—the Communists have developed techniques which are at once shrewd and brutal. Mr. Hoover analyzes the human sources of Communist strength: the open party members, the concealed party members, the fellow-travelers, the opportunists and the dupes. He studies the claims of communism, the reasons why persons swallow these claims and how they become disenchanted. He gives, too, a fascinating picture of how the party is organized—how an elect (but not elected) group controls its operations, its fund-raising both inside and outside party ranks. The process of indoctrination, the insistence that every aspect of thought and action, in arts, letters and the work-a-day world, be colored by party purposes, is set forth. The discipline, ranging from rebukes to beatings and (where Communists can get away with it) imprisonment and death, is outlined.

All of this is illustrated by concrete examples.
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examples, from actual cases and formal testimony. So, too, are the discussions of the ways in which Communists infiltrate non-Communist organizations and turn them to their own uses, thus multiplying the influence which their slender numbers would seem to imply. Mr. Hoover points out that the party's membership in the United States, which reached a peak of 80,000 in 1944 and is still falling since dropping to 22,600 in 1955, is no valid criterion of the danger it represents. "When the Communist party was at its peak in the United States," he writes, "it was stronger in numbers than the Soviet party was at the time it seized power in Russia."

Quite apart from the fact that each party member normally represents some ten sympathizers, fellow travelers and similar tools of the movement, the Communists can exert a powerful concealed thrust against American security through their methods. Who, for example, would necessarily regard a cookbook as Communist propaganda? Yet a volume issued by a Red front offers recipes as a "dollar stretcher" carries a message—"mixing propaganda with eggs and butter, sugar and salt." Moreover, the party aids, when it does not take a major part in, the Soviet program of espionage.

The Communist underground is a fantastic operation, dreary enough in its actual workings, yet enlisting able and fanatical individuals for undercover work. At present, most of this effort is directed toward espionage for the Soviet Union in a number of fields. It could—and in time of war doubtless would—be broadened to take in sabotage. The author describes the "colonization" undertaken by the Communists now "to place concealed members in strategic positions in basic industries and defense facilities." He quotes a party publication:

"In order to overthrow the capitalist system, the working class must control the key positions in the capitalist system. These are not the state and Federal capitals, public buildings, or residential neighborhoods, but the heart of the capitalist system—the shops, mines, mills and factories."

How is the Communist attack, in its protean forms, to be repelled? Mr. Hoover urges that the first and most important task of the citizen is "to make sure that we do not permit the Communists to fool us into becoming 'innocent victims'—to be able to recognize the falsity of Red claims and the techniques of Red penetration. Given that knowledge, it is possible—and essential—to resist infiltration into unions, civic, fraternal and social organizations. And against illegal subversive activity the citizen should, if information on the subject comes his way, co-operate with the F. B. I. "Stick to the facts," Mr. Hoover urges. "The F. B. I. is not interested in rumor or idle gossip." He

warns against "smears, character assassination, and the scattering of irresponsible charges"—but hard facts, even when they appear trivial, can be of great importance in the hands of trained and responsible investigators.

This book is not the last word on communism and how to fight it. But it is sound, practical and detailed, down to a glossary of pertinent terms. Mr. Hoover has supplied an important text on a vital subject.



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FBI CHIEF WRITES RED EXPOSE

Hoover's Book a Shocker

Read Clark Kinnard's review of Hoover's book on Page 21

By JAMES LEE

WASHINGTON, March 8 (INS).—The shocking story of communism in America is related by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in a book, "Masters of Deceit," being published Monday.

Hoover reveals with vivid documentation the relentless drive of the Communist Party toward its ultimate objective, the seizure of power in the United States.

The man who has headed the Federal Bureau of Investigation since 1924 is uniquely equipped to expose the Red plot. As a special assistant to the Attorney General, he began his study of communism 39 years ago.

"Masters of Deceit," published by Henry Holt and Co., is the dramatic distillation of nearly four decades of first-hand knowledge of Communist strategy, tactics, subversion, infiltration, espionage, sabotage and brainwashing.

Hoover states his premise simply, in these words:

"Every citizen has a duty to learn more about the menace that threatens his future, his home, his children, the peace of the world—and that is why I have written this book."

In 374 pages, crammed with often startling information, the author rips away the curtains of mystery which shroud the Communist conspiracy and graphically blueprints the battle plan through which individual Americans can combat a cancerous threat to the nation.

Lists Party's Objectives

Highlights of the book include:

The Red Objective—Hoover says: "The party's objective is to drive a wedge, however slight, into as many minds as possible. That is why, in every conceivable way, Communists try to poison our thinking about the issues of the day: Social reforms, peace, politics, veterans', women's, and youth problems."

Red Revolution in the U. S.—"Communists do not propose to remodel our government or retain any part of it. They would tear it to the ground; destroy all opposition, and then create a new government, an American province in the Soviet world empire."

Soviet Agents—Hoover points out that many of the Communist Party's top leaders in the U. S. are graduates of the Lenin School in Moscow, which trains the international hard core of Red conspirators. He names Eugene Dennis, Claude Lightfoot, Carl Winter, Simon W. Gerson, William Weinstone, Pat Ganley, Steve Nelson, Betty Gannett, Gus Hall, Albert Jannson, Phil Bart, Rose Wexels, Loreta Stack, and Henry Winston.

Spy Rings—Hoover warns: "The United States is sra-

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tegic spy target No. 1 for the Soviets. Every effort is being made to penetrate our defenses."

The FBI chief says "the party is today engaged in a systematic program to infiltrate American religious groups. Communists are being told to 'join churches and become involved in church work.' This provides the cover of 'respectability,' the opportunity for subtle dissemination of propaganda, and a chance to make contact with youth."

Hoover describes the Communist underground as "a maze of undercover couriers, escape routes, hide-outs, and clandestine meetings." He says that "only the most trusted and dedicated of party members are chosen" for these operations.

Hoover says "the party's claim that it is working for Negro rights is a deception and a fraud. The party's sole interest, as most American Negroes know, is to hoodwink the Negro, to exploit him and use him as a tool to build a Communist America."

"Communism," the FBI director writes, "is cannibalistic. Its servants are periodically offered as sacrifices on the Communist altar." He notes "the utter depths of depravity, hate and inhuman venom to which the party will descend in order to wreak vengeance on an expelled member."



J. EDGAR HOOVER

Weekly BOOK Reviews

G-Man as Author

MASTERS OF DECEIT. By J. Edgar Hoover. Henry Holt. 374 pp. \$5.00.

By MAURICE J. GOLDBLOOM

For almost four decades the careers of J. Edgar Hoover and the Communist Party have been closely intertwined. It is fair to say that this fact has been rather more auspicious for Hoover than for the Communists.

At any rate, the detailed description of the structure of the Communist Party and its methods of operation, which comprises the greater part of this book, is authentic. The Communists could even use it as a manual, although it is well to remember that the Communist machinery Hoover describes seldom works, but in practice quite as neatly as it does on paper.

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too large even if one counts in the Soviet army of occupation!

And he completely swallows the assertion of the Communists that they are the true heirs of Marx, and that Marxian socialism and "Marxism-Leninism" are identical. He attributes to Marx the Communist idea of party dictatorship, and regards Lenin's theories as "inherent in Marxist thought."

Indeed, he even writes: "But modern Communism, known as the 'science of Marxism-Leninism,' is just a little over a century old," thereby giving Lenin credit for a surprising amount of prenatal activity!

Perhaps Mr. Hoover has been reading too much Communist propaganda. Certainly, this error is a particularly unfortunate one. For Marxian Socialists are an important anti-Communist force, and whatever the deficiencies of Marx's theoretical system, it is in essential contradiction with Communist doctrine on many basic points. To ignore this is to present the Communists gratuitously with an important weapon.

Mr. Hoover has many wise and civilized things to say on the proper methods of fighting communism. He stresses the need for a belief in human dignity, our mutual responsibility and "obligation to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and care for the less fortunate," and the primacy of love.

He says: "Hysteria, witch hunts, and vigilantes weaken our internal security," and asserts that the FBI has no interest in a person's beliefs, but only in his acts.

Yet he seems to me to attribute to the American Communist Party a power for evil which, in its present demoralized and enfeebled state, it simply does not possess. (This is not to say that we don't have to take precautions against Soviet espionage, whether conducted by American Communists or otherwise; obviously we do.)

Thus he quotes William Z. Foster to the effect that 15,000 party members served in the armed forces—but neglects to note that this is more than two-thirds of the total membership remaining in the party today.

It is true, as he says, that the Communist Party could expand rapidly if circumstances were favorable. But the way to prevent that is not by Smith and Mc-Carran Acts, but by avoiding the circumstances—poverty, injustice and war—on which communism thrives.

Hoover is also on solid ground when he discusses the Communist techniques of infiltration, the use of front organizations, and the manipulation of genuine grievances for the benefit of the party.

He rightly emphasizes that Communists are not liberals, progressives or social reformers, and that one of the important ways to fight them is by remedying existing evils and "strengthening our democratic institutions to perfect the American dream."

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But he is not always quite so careful; thus a reader might get the impression that only the Communists regard Sacco and Vanzetti as martyrs, and that memorial meetings for them are Communist affairs.

There are also occasional minor factual errors in the account of the American Communist Party. They do not affect its validity, but they are of a sort which one would not expect of J. Edgar Hoover.

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J. Edgar Hoover's Case History Of American Communism at Work

MASTERS OF DECEIT.

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THIS is a practical manual of the Communist conspiracy and how to fight it, prepared by a sane, dedicated and experienced public official. J. Edgar Hoover is primarily responsible for the development of an organization—the Federal Bureau of Investigation—which represents what is probably the best possible answer, within the framework of American institutions, to the problem of subversion. He has access to a vast amount of detailed information about the workings of communism; he does not indulge in wishful thinking about the “failure” of the Communist party in the United States, but neither does he vent panic-stricken cries for a vigilante-type response to the continuing threat.

Mr. Hoover begins at the beginning—with the origins of Marxism and the personalities of the three men (he rather slights Engels) who were chiefly instrumental in shaping international communism: Marx, Lenin and Stalin. It may be argued that he has somewhat oversimplified their respective contributions, but the author is not concerned to produce a definitive treatise on theoretical Marxism or on Russian history since the

October Revolution. For the purpose of laying a groundwork on which to expose the operations of the conspiracy within the United States, the historical and theoretical discussion is adequate and necessary.

To advance their cause—conspiratorial, revolutionary and intended to insure the triumph of a minority through violence and dictatorship—the Communists have developed techniques which are at once shrewd and brutal. Mr. Hoover analyzes the human sources of Communist strength: the open party members, the concealed party members, the fellow travelers, the opportunists and the dupes. He studies the claims of communism, the reasons why persons swallow these claims and how they become disenchanted. He gives, too, a fascinating picture of how the party is organized—how an elect (but not elected) group controls its operations, its fund-raising both inside and outside party ranks. The process of indoctrination, the insistence that every aspect of thought and action, in arts, letters and the work-a-day world, be colored by party purposes, is set forth. The discipline, ranging from rebukes to beatings and (where Communists can get away with it) imprisonment and death, is outlined.

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example, from actual cases and formal testimony. So, too, are the discussions of the ways in which Communists infiltrate non-Communist organizations and turn them to their own uses, thus multiplying the influence which their slender numbers would seem to imply. Mr. Hoover points out that the party's membership in the United States, which reached a peak of 80,000 in 1944 and is still falling since dropping to 22,600 in 1955, is no valid criterion of the danger it represents. "When the Communist party was at its peak in the United States," he writes, "it was stronger in numbers than the Soviet party was at the time it seized power in Russia."

Quite apart from the fact that each party member normally represents some ten sympathizers, fellow travelers and similar tools of the movement, the Communists can exert a powerful concealed thrust against American security through their methods. Who, for example, would necessarily regard a cookbook as Communist propaganda? Yet a volume issued by a Red front offers recipes as a "dollar stretcher" carries a message "mixing propaganda with eggs and butter, sugar and salt." Moreover, the party aids, when it does not take a major part in, the Soviet program of espionage.

The Communist underground is a fantastic operation, dreary enough in its actual workings, yet enlisting able and fanatical individuals for undercover work. At present, most of this effort is directed toward espionage for the Soviet Union in a number of fields. It could—and in time of war doubtless would—be broadened to take in sabotage. The author describes the "colonization" undertaken by the Communists now "to place concealed members in strategic positions in basic industries and defense facilities." He quotes a party publication:

"In order to overthrow the capitalist system, the working class must control the key positions in the capitalist system. These are not the state and Federal capitals, public buildings, or residential neighborhoods, but the heart of the capitalist system—the shops, mines, mills and factories."

How is the Communist attack, in its protean forms, to be repelled? Mr. Hoover urges that the first and most important task of the citizen is "to make sure that we do not permit the Communists to fool us into becoming 'innocent victims'—to be able to recognize the falsity of Red claims and the techniques of Red penetration. Given that knowledge, it is possible—and essential—to resist infiltration into unions, civic, fraternal and social organizations. And against illegal subversive activity the citizen should, if information on the subject comes his way, co-operate with the F. B. I. "Stick to the facts," Mr. Hoover urges. "The F. B. I. is not interested in rumor or idle gossip." He

warns against "smeared, character assassination, and the scattering of irresponsible charges"—but hard facts, even when they appear trivial, can be of great importance in the hands of trained and responsible investigators.

This book is not the last word on communism and how to fight it. But it is sound, practical and detailed, down to a glossary of pertinent terms. Mr. Hoover has supplied an important text on a vital subject.

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Points to Spread

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"Remember, that within four decades Communism, as a state power, has spread roughly through 40% of the world's population.

"The present menace in the United States grows in direct ratio to the rising feeling that it is a small dissident element and need not be feared. As we relax our protection and ease up on security measures, we move closer and closer to a 'fool's paradise'.

"Today, with some exceptions, the Soviets are attempting to operate their espionage networks independent of the party. This does not mean the party is not playing an important role."

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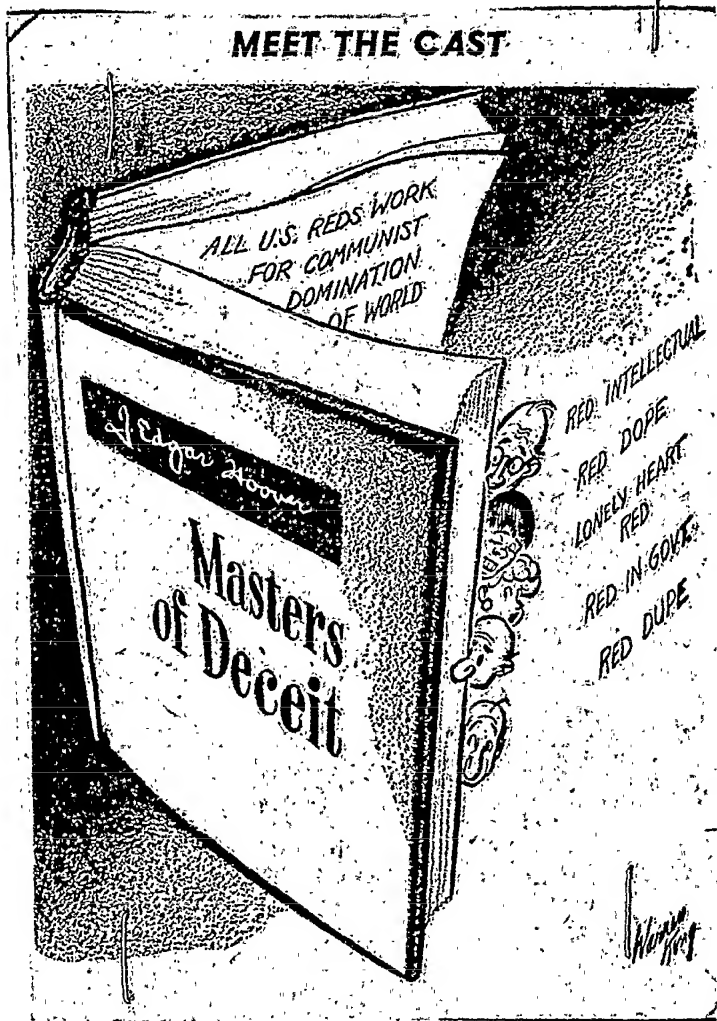
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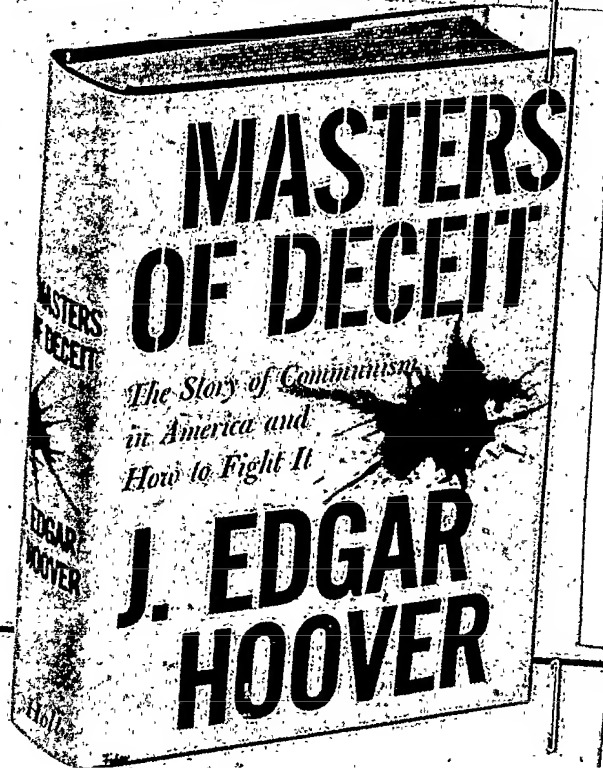
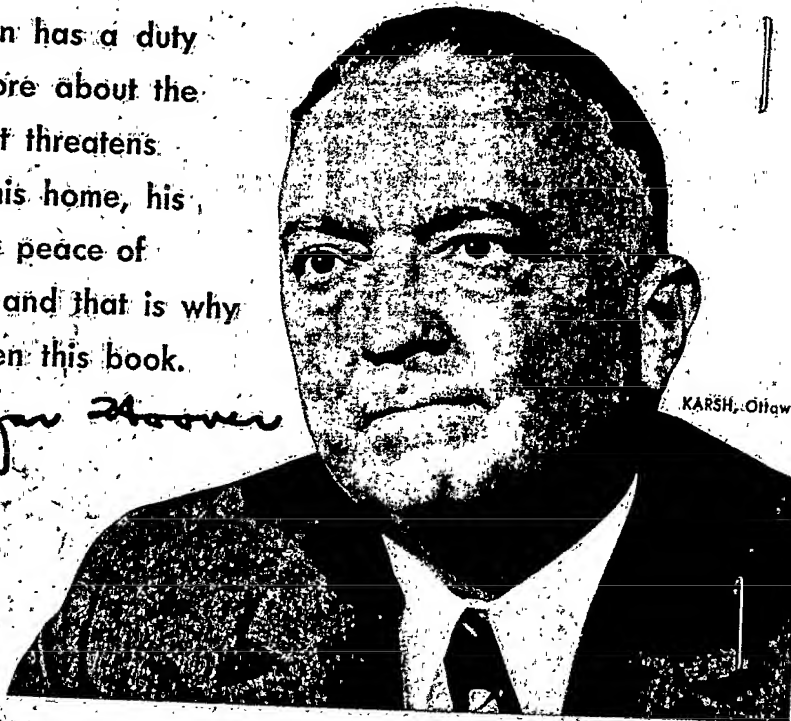
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FIRST REVIEWS

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DANIEL A. POLING: "This is the most important — indeed, the most imperative — book of the decade . . . powerful and informative, as up-to-date as this morning. This is for literate Americans a 'must' book."—*Christian Herald*

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MASTERS OF DECEIT

THE STORY OF COMMUNISM IN AMERICA
AND HOW TO FIGHT IT

AT ALL BOOKSTORES • \$5.00 • HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY, INC.

COMPLETE LOWDOWN ON REDS

Ever since a small group of fanatics calling themselves Bolsheviks shot and clawed their way to dictatorship over the Russian people in 1917, they and their successors have headed up an international conspiracy. Their Communist Party's aim was and still is to impose Red rule on every area of the world.



J. Edgar Hoover:
Tells how to defeat Reds

Will they ever be able to do it here? The authoritative answers to that and other top-important questions about the Red Slave Empire, its bloody history and its present plans, now are available in one fascinating, authentic volume, by Federal Bureau of Investigation head J. Edgar Hoover. It's "Masters of Deceit"; Henry Holt & Co.; 374 pages; \$5.

Our No. 1 Red expert here sets out an amazing amount of scholarly—but easy to read—information about America's own Reds.

They range from individuals with brilliant though warped minds, to dopes and dupes. Some leading U. S. members of the Stalin-Khrushchev fan club have been found hopelessly insane. Many Americans, male and female, joined the Communist Party and slaved for their commissars simply because they were lonely. The shrewd Reds furnished them with comrades to talk to and, sometimes, with sex.

But Hoover warns that even Red numbskulls can't be taken lightly. The dumbest Commie can and does perform such Moscow-helping chores as stuffing propaganda leaflets under doors and swarming to "progressive" and "liberal" meetings, as eggheads.

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Hoover feels sorrow for these unhappy and perhaps misguided people. Most of them now are ex-Reds. He invites them earnestly to make some belated amends for their onetime betrayal of America, by telling their stories frankly to the FBI. He pledges that such persons will be "cordially received, not embarrassed . . . their information will be kept strictly confidential should they so request."

Our FBI chief wastes no such sympathy on the professional, case-hardened manipulators of the Red underground. He names U. S. graduates of Moscow's notorious Lenin School for subversion and sabotage. Among them: Eugene Dennis, still a glowering Commie bigshot; Simon W. Gerson, once an important figure around New York's own City Hall; Steve Nelson, an old palsy-walsy of "liberal" atom scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer, and still a hardboiled Red operative.

Reds Still In Action

Hoover not only tells how such Reds cells function but even, possibly just to curl some Red hair, reveals some verbatim conversations recorded in their—~~they~~ thought—hush-hush conspiratorial meetings.

This new Hoover book is not only fascinating reading but adds up to an encyclopedia on Communism, which every American would do well to scan. After studying it, you'll never again be fooled by any Red traitor's lies.

Any chance, we wonder, of some outfit like the famed Fund for the Republic underwriting a patriotic subsidy of this book, to make it available in every last school and library in the U. S. A.?

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Of course, Mr. Hoover warns against precisely this point of view—the widespread tendency to believe that, because American Communists are growing fewer and fewer, American communism is growing correspondingly weaker.

Quotes Foster.

To refute this counsel of common sense he goes to just the right source, William Z. Foster, the American Red boss-emeritus, who has laid down the sour grapes law that, "... we no longer measure the importance of revolutionary organizations by size."

Nevertheless, full against the current of Mr. Hoover's alarms and exhortations, it is hard to overlook that a U.S.

Communist party which had a peak membership of 80,000 in 1944 has a tenth of that today, that its illiterate daily no longer exists, and that nobody with any intellectual standing whatever has been publicly connected with the party for years.

This last seems especially worth noting in view of the fact that one of Mr. Hoover's concluding notes is a quotation from Don Whitehead's *The FBI Story* in which it is stated that the FBI knows its limited place in the anti-Communist picture and knows that the key to defeating an ideology lies in the influence of the intellectuals. What American intellectual is to be found today in the zoo parade of U.S. communism?

It is agreeable to find the author stressing that Whitehead passage. Only yesterday, Mr. Hoover was the living totem—probably through no fault of his own—of a sect which seemed to hold that anybody who could read without visible signs of strain was likely to be harboring dangerous thoughts.

All Rebels Not Reds.

To the author's further credit, he deplores the indiscriminate slapping of Red labels on everybody who holds a maverick idea. And never once, although he skims the

history of communism from Karl Marx on, and records the opposing fight in this country, does he mention the name of a once eminent treason-buster, whose passing gives me confidence that I can confess being bored by this book without attracting suspicion that I am the voice of the Bolsheviks in the book review trade.

Everything in this book is dismally familiar. It does not, mind you, employ any such interesting material as Jack Sobel, the Russian spy and epicure of hardware who dined on nuts and bolts a couple of weeks ago in Lewisburg penitentiary. The Russian espionage network operates independently of the party, says Mr. Hoover, and it is the latter band of clowns that concerns him here.

What this blackboard lecture mainly accomplishes is to get the valuable name of J. Edgar Hoover on a bookcover and to gratify those who, for perhaps nostalgia's sake, cannot bear to let the boggy of internal communism subside.

I think of the sweet club-lady who asked me a couple of weeks ago, after I had discoursed learnedly from the platform on Jack Kerouac and his Beat Generation, if I didn't think he had been sent over here by the Russians.

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CONFIDENTIALLY, NOT CONFIDENTIAL: Harvey (the Fireman) Rosen fed up with dead beats at El Borracho Kiss Room, and is trying to organize the ginmills into a credit association (a la department stores, etc.) to tip each other off about those who run up big bills and don't pay.... I called the shots, didn't I? I mean about the treatment that J. Edgar Hoover's thrilling book "Masters of Deceit" would get from the eggheads? The critic of the paper that prints all the news that fits, passed it off as "naive" and "dated" because "American Communism itself is dated with no longer any strength or influence, with no front organizations of any power, with no toe-hold in government, labor, in the press." But that's just what the top G-man documents and proves, that Communism went underground and is more deadly now than ever.... Six months ago the same book review brushed off anti-Red novelist Taylor Caldwell's "The Sound of Thunder," with cracks about her pro-Americanism. Said it wasn't "a successful novel." So how come they've been forced to carry it in their Best Seller list for the past 20 weeks?... *All's Great in the Garden State:* Looks like beginning of a landslide in Jersey for Bob Morris for U. S. Senator. The election of this great American would do much to restore sanity to the country. (You must read his book "No Wonder We Are Losing." A shocker.)

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By DAVID SENTNER

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Books of The Times

By CHARLES POORE

THE most authoritative book ever written on communism in America is J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit." Under directives from President Franklin D. Roosevelt and later men in the White House he has studied the thing more intensively and with ampler research facilities at his disposal than anyone else in this country. As head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation he has seen how sinuously the party line has changed—and how implacably it has maintained the ultimate aim of changing our way of government. He shows how Soviet ideas are spread here diplomatically with no need of large local constituencies.

His book is particularly valuable now for three reasons. First, because it appears at a time when the Communist party in these parts looks deceptively puny. This may be compared to telling a man not to worry about having just a little cancer. Second, because it is a lucid primer to the whole history of communism at home and in Moscow. Third, because it makes indispensable background reading for interpreting the current Soviet efforts to seem pally as all get out with the free world. Meantime, its agents work here with great skill.

The principal propaganda objective of the Bolshies today, Mr. Hoover's book suggests, can be expressed in a bombshell. A hydrogen bombshell. If the West can be persuaded to stop testing and making those pesky weapons the Kremlin gremlins will agree to stop, too, and perhaps be content with the stick they already have on hand, or at any rate find more discreet methods of development. Or turn to other weapons.

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Masking Future Diabolism

With 20-20 hindsight, one can imagine Hitler, in 1939, calling for a stop to building bombers and fighter planes while he turned his reluctant devotion to the buzz bombs and the V-2's. At any rate, Hitler's head-start in war planes may be compared to the present Soviet advantage in artificial satellites. These, under the benign light of the International Geophysical Year, are not getting half the attention they deserve as flying artillery. Yet no one doubts their possible development as observation platforms for dropping the latest style in bombs full of explosives or coddled, murderous bacteria.

"Many people sincerely believe, for many reasons, that these bombs should be banned," Mr. Hoover writes. "However, to Communists the true meaning of peace and banning the A and H-bombs is weakening the United States and advancing Russian aggressive aims."

He shows an amazing range of Communist, Communist-front and Communist-infiltrated organizations that start by advocating democratic improvements everyone desires and end by passing resolutions and circulating petitions designed to weaken the free world's capacity for being as strong as the Soviets.

Mr. Hoover gives the little red sheep who have gone astray full marks for their unquestioning capacity to follow the leader through hell or high water. He draws from public records one instance after another of thought-controlled Communists who have



Mr. Hoover testifies

been able to overlook the collective famines, the purge trials and the pact between the Nazis and the Soviets without losing their faith in rule by terror. He also recalls the dire party reprisals that awaited those who broke away.

There is always work to be done by communism's sloganeers. They have long favored the phrase "Red baiting" as a stigma for discrediting anyone who objects to their totalitarian ways. The operative word there, of course, is "Red." It's perfectly all right, in their eyes, to bait what they consider misguided liberals, or conservatives, or persons who bring up the clause in the Constitution defining treason as readily as the Bill of Rights. However, they are infinitely adaptable. The slogan proclaiming that "the Yanks are not coming" was abandoned in a hurry when Hitler attacked Russia.

As Red Weathervane Turns

"In 1940," Mr. Hoover recalls, "the American Peace Mobilization was formed, urging mobilization for peace and no aid to Britain. In 1941, after Germany's invasion of Russia, the name was changed to American People's Mobilization, and the demands to all-out aid to Britain."

He wonders whether, if an anti-Soviet Government were to rise in China, there would be such heartfelt Communist desire for the return to China of the island we used to call Formosa and now call Taiwan.

Informers are despised by gangsters when they help to break up narcotics rings. Informers are condemned by arsonists when they tell who set the big tenement fire. Informers are vilified by Communists and by the varying degrees of fellow travelers when they identify Communists who may still be plying their busy little trades.

"This false belief," Mr. Hoover observes, "inspired by party discipline, is today keeping many lost souls silent. Our agents asked one party member: 'Suppose a criminal gang kidnapped one of your children. What would you do?' The answer: 'Call the F. B. I.' 'Would you want the F. B. I. to make inquiries to locate your youngster?' 'Yes.' 'Would you expect citizens having pertinent knowledge of this criminal conspiracy to give information to the F. B. I.?' 'Certainly' he said."

New Books Expose Red Menace

"Masters of Deceit," by J. Edgar Hoover and published by Henry Holt, New York, is the book we've been waiting for.

In language that everyone can understand, it traces briefly the history of the Communist movement toward world revolution, with special emphasis on its amazing growth in Our America.

If anyone but Hoover had written it, our "liberals" would manage to discredit the book by subtle smears and by black-mailing booksellers into hiding it on back shelves. Such has been the fate of innumerable books which might have enlightened our citizens long ago. But Hoover's authenticity, objectivity, personal integrity and first hand knowledge of the theory and practice of communism cannot be questioned.

HOOVER IS to be congratulated.

SPOTLIGHT PAGE

OUR AMERICA

By DR. RUTH ALEXANDER

lated on his selectivity. The literature of Marx-Leninist socialism is vast and profound. And we are neither patient nor scholarly in our reading habits. But we are familiar with deceit and its many ramifications—lies, fraud, double talk, blackmail and assassination short of murder.

It remained for the Communists, however, to distort our language—"freedom," to which we subscribe, becomes slavery, to which they subscribe; "liberal" becomes dictatorial; and peace becomes the deathly silence after the final slaughter in the revolution.

Slogans of the party, masquerading under our beloved and familiar words, have been justified by "liberals" as "semantic expansion in keeping with the times." It would be more accurate and less deceptive to say, in keeping with world revolution.

ANOTHER authoritative book on this subject has just come off the press of The Bookman, P. O. Box 101, New York 15. It is vividly called "No Wonder

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"We Are Losing" and is written by Judge Robert Morris, now seeking the nomination as U. S. Senator from New Jersey.

Bob. Morris, now 45, began his career in 1940 as assistant counsel to the Rapp-Coudert Committee in New York State. Throughout the war, he served as an officer in Naval Intelligence and in 1951 became chief counsel to the McCarran Committee which, among other things, exposed the Institute of Pacific Relations, authoritatively a large factor in the loss of China to the Communists.

After a two-year term as Municipal Judge in New York City, Morris was importuned to return to Washington with the Senate Internal Sub-committee in 1956. He relinquished both the high salary and the security of the bench to accept, feeling that "our country was deteriorating so steadily and national resistance to Soviet advances was so unresponsive and insensitive, that I was seriously concerned that we would even survive as a nation by my term's end in 1964."

With these two books on the market, there is no further excuse for any citizen to cry "How can I know?" or "Who can I believe?"

BOOKS

Work of Red Agents in U.S. Made Easier!

NO WONDER WE ARE LOSING, by Robert Morris (The Bookmailer, New York; 230 pages; \$2.50).

By CLARK KINNAIRD

"WHY," Robert Morris asks, "when the Soviet threat to the free world has never been greater, must the majority on the Supreme Court of the United States strain judicially in order to make new laws which will make it easier for the vanguard of Khrushchev's legions to carry on their acts of penetration? Why must they grind down those arms of Congress — the investigating committees — that represent the only legal institution in our society that can bring most aspects of the Soviet secret network here into the light of day?"

Mr. Morris, a distinguished lawyer and a former judge, takes up these and other questions of cardinal importance to loyal and conscientious citizens, in an arresting book. He provides answers to most of the questions, speaking out as courageous as J. Edgar Hoover does in **MASTERS OF DECEIT**.

The Morris account, in **NO WONDER WE ARE LOSING**, of his own successes and frustrations as an investigator and uncovener of communist under-cover assault forces in the United States today is timely supplementary reading to the Hoover book. Judge Morris goes further than Hoover in naming names, places and dates in some cases of treason against the U.S. by persons still active and out of prison.

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Judge Morris' experiences in opposing Red Fascist attacks on the U.S. from within began before he entered the Navy in 1940. He aided the Rapp-Coudert legislative committee in revealing the extent of communist influence in the New York public schools. Detailed to Navy Intelligence, he gained during the war intimate knowledge of the workings of Soviet espionage against an ally.

He was considering a regular Navy career in 1945 when the fact that Alger Hiss, in the face of the most precise and definite reports from us, stayed on in an important position in the State Department, convinced me that being a professional intelligence officer was generally a futile business. I could see all too clearly the paralysis that was overcoming all intelligence work which was anti-Soviet in orientation."

So he left the Navy in December 1945, to mind his own business as a lawyer in New York. However, his record as ferreter out of Red rats was well known to loyal United States officials, and he was drafted repeatedly to assist them in investigations and prosecutions.

Judge Morris, who subsequently became counsel to the Senate Internal Security Committee, cites striking evidence that the Communist Party, USA, remains a well-drilled, easily expandable Soviet arm within the country. His book is a reminder that Ambassador Menshevik, whose grim TV programmers are falling over themselves to exhibit to their audiences, is only the latest of a line of Trojan horses Russia has stationed in this country.

Maxim Litvinov, the first Red envoy sent to Washington by the Red Fascist masqueraders when President F.D. Roosevelt gave them the recognition, four other Presidents had refused, pledged that it would be "the fixed policy of the government of the U.S.S.R. . . . to refrain, and to restrain all persons in government service and all

organizations of the government or under its direct or indirect control, including organizations in receipt of any financial assistance from it, from any act overt or covert liable in any way whatsoever to injure the tranquility, prosperity, order, or security of the whole or any part of the United States . . . and, in particular, from any act tending to incite or encourage armed intervention, or any agitation or propaganda having as an aim, the violation of the territorial integrity of the United States . . . or the bringing about by force of a change in the political or social order of the whole or any part of the United States . . ."

NO WONDER WE ARE LOSING, originally scheduled for publication this autumn by a hardbound book publisher, was put to press earlier by The Bookmaller, to enable copies of it to be in New Jersey voters' hands before the primary election date.

It probably will have a hardbound edition later.

It should have, for it is the story of a patriot of national interest.

The Bookmaller is an enterprise established in New York to work against the organized efforts of Reds to suppress any book exposing communism. Operated by three war veterans, the Bookmaller endeavors to supply any book published in the United States, but concentrates on those anti-communist books which book shops operated by "liberals" or Red fellow-travelers refuse to stock or supply.

The address is Box 101, Murray Hill Station, New York 16, N. Y. When Alger Hiss' self-apology was published, The Bookmaller stocked it, too, and with every order sent a free copy of Whittaker Chambers' book exposing Hiss.

Roscoe Drummond Reports

J. Edgar Hoover Asks Help For Doubting Communists

WASHINGTON.

It is clear that more American Communists are continuing to break with the Communist party because they have come to see it for what it is, an instrument of repression, not a means to better social and economic conditions.

What isn't clear is whether many Americans are yet willing to extend a helping hand and to create the climate which encourages the doubting Communists to free themselves from the grip of the party.



This needs to be done and no one with better credentials can do it than J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It cannot be argued that Mr. Hoover is "soft" on communism when he argues that we ought to take a friendly, understanding, helpful attitude toward fellow Americans who sincerely want to break their Communist bonds and resume their place in the company of free men.

This argument Mr. Hoover makes vigorously and persuasively in his new book, "Masters of Deceit," just published by Hamilton Holt & Co. It will undoubtedly win a wide readership and one will hope that its readers will not lightly pass over Mr. Hoover's wise and humane chapter on "Why People Break With Communism"—and how to help. The opportunity is at hand as never before. Communism's own admission of the bloody and capricious tyranny of Stalin

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kindled the doubts of Communists nearly everywhere, including many in the United States. Then, when the Kremlin turned its guns on the workers of Hungary, who wanted nothing but their own freedom—this helped more Communists to see the kind of thing in which they had become imprisoned.

"Always we must keep in mind," Mr. Hoover writes, "that Communists, even, hard-core Communists, potentially can be converted. To the individual who asserts: 'Once a Communist, always a Communist,' I say, No, every Communist can be made to see the errors of his way. He must not be despised, belittled, or rejected as hopelessly lost. He can redeem himself by actively taking a stand for freedom. Every patriotic American must do what he can to bring these persons to see the truth. The ex-Communist is today one of our most potent weapons against communism."

Mr. Hoover notes how a Seattle newspaper man, by counsel and encouragement, helped Barbara Hartle, once one of the west coast's most dedicated Communist functionaries, break with the party. The defections are mounting. Besides Louis Budenz, Bella Dodd and others, the decon-

verted Communists include such distinguished defectors as John Gates, former editor of the now defunct "Daily Worker," Joseph Clarke, former foreign editor, and Howard Fast, the American novelist, winner of the Stalin Award.

The director of the F. B. I. makes this appeal to doubting American—Communists who want to return to freedom:

"If, having knowledge of persons and activities detrimental to this country, he breaks from the party, yet maintains silence, he is still aiding the enemy. The moral obligations involved cannot be met by silence. The choice is simple: Help the United States. The man who does this . . . is protecting the American way of life for free men and women—including his family and himself."

And this appeal to fellow Americans to help:

"These people deserve the nation's respect, and their neighbors' fair-minded forgiveness for their past devotion to communism. Their means of livelihood must be protected, and loyal Americans must accept their sincere repentance as a return to the full scope of citizenship. All great religions teach that the sinner can always redeem himself. Who, then, shall sit in judgment on the ex-Communist? Who dare deny him the promise held out to those who repent of the evil they have done and who try to make amends?"

"For our part, at the F. B. I., we have always sought to recognize the very real human and personal problems facing ex-Communists who have come to our offices to make such amends."

In his book Mr. Hoover significantly points out that current F. B. I. interviews reveal that many men and women inside the Communist movement are in various stages of doubt and disillusionment. He calls such gathering doubts very good omens.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Please give name and address with letter. We will withhold both on request.

SEES NO RED MENACE

Richmond: J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit" to the contrary, the fact remains that the Communist Party, U. S. A., has now shrunk in membership to a pitiable 8,000 diehards and is torn and beset by internal dissension and strife. How this feckless, despised group constitutes a threat to our American way of life is very difficult to understand.

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THE RIGHT TO GO LEFT: With the March 10th publication of J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit" exposing Communists, their fronts, fellow travelers, sympathizers and dupes, the leftwing establishment is now readying a campaign of vilification against the top G-Man. It will dwarf all past character assassinations. The so-called Liberal press is being marshalled; TV and radio commentators are being briefed, high-brow book critics are alerted, and from every corner of the country will come poisoned shafts of smear, innuendo, and slander aimed at the destruction of the man who has done more to preserve your fast slipping freedom and liberty than anyone alive.

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THESE DAYS:

Reviews a Review Of Hoover's Book

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director of the FBI, has professionally and with enormous resources at his command, become the leading authority in the United States on Communist activities in this country. John B. Oakes, an editor of "The New York Times," has no similar distinction in this particular field.

Hoover wrote a book, "Masters of Deceit," but Oakes in the text of his book review does not use the title that Hoover gave this book; he prefers a subtitle. The reader must look back to an introductory paragraph to see what he is really writing about. I can imagine among Communists, ex-Communists or anti-Communists plenty of competent men to be engaged for such a review job, just as "The New York Times Book Review" often engages specialists in many fields. To mention one in each category: Earl Browder, Whittaker Chambers, Eugene Lyons. So this is how Oakes starts the review:

"The thesis on which J. Edgar Hoover bases this informal study of American Communists and American communism is that the Communist party within the United States is a clear and present danger to us today. It is a view that not all of his 170 million anti-Communist fellow-Americans will readily accept..."

I wonder how Oakes can possibly know what 170,000,000 Americans accept. But apart from that, of what importance is such a statement, except to belittle J. Edgar Hoover? For after all, if Hoover thought that everybody knew as much about this subject, to which he has devoted so much of his life, as he did, there would be no need to write another book. What Hoover has done in this volume is to summarize all the information available to him, all the experience which has been his and his agents' since 1917.

Let me quote John B. Oakes a little further:

"There is at times a naive and at times a slightly dated quality to the contents of Mr. Hoover's book, which, as he himself says, is written 'in almost primer form.' It is dated because American communism itself is dated, with no longer any strength or influence, with no 'front' organizations of any power, with no hold in government, in labor, in the press, in any significant area of American life..."



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A Major Menace

HOOVER ANSWERS THIS QUESTION in the foreword to the book:

"Today, as I write these words, my conclusions of 1919 remain the same. Communism is the major menace of our time. Today, it threatens the very existence of our Western civilization."

What Oakes does in his book review is not to discuss the material in J. Edgar Hoover's volume as much as to write his own private polemic to establish that the Communist Party has withered on the vine in the United States. To establish his thesis, he cites the loss of membership but says nothing about the party apparatus going underground; he cites the death of the "Daily Worker" but says nothing of the party quarrel between the Kremlinites and the Stalinists and how the Kremlinites won the day by closing down the "Daily Worker" and thereby throwing the Stalinists out of jobs and the party.

Oakes does not say that Hoover devotes many pages of his book to prove that numbers do not count and that dopes (some call them dopes) are as dangerous to the United States as overt party members. Oakes does, to do him justice, say this:

"... Mr. Hoover, however, believes that the statistics do not tell the whole story, and that the Communists in America could 'overnight... expand into a mass organization of great potential power.' ..."

To which, he, out of his knowledge and experience, gathered where and under what circumstances we know not, says patronizingly:

"... That's a doctrine at this point hard to swallow."

"The New York Times Book Review" is a serious publication, taken seriously by many persons interested in books. J. Edgar Hoover has written an important study of a serious problem. He is entitled to a more competent review.

There are many men of knowledge and ability who could from their own knowledge and experience check the accuracy of Hoover's statements and the correctness of his judgments. But today apparently expertness is no qualification. Anything can happen. Did not Danny Kaye conduct the New York Philharmonic Orchestra?

When the Sacred Cow Speaks

Heroes rise and fall in our land. Republican gazettes which once treated Ike as if he were above criticism now talk as if he were Harry Truman. There are also moments when Mickey Mantle is booed. But while most mortal men find their hides vulnerable, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover remains the sacred cow of press and politics.

His unique eminence has been dramatized anew since the publication of "Masters of Deceit," Hoover's version of "The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It." Any lesser author might have been gravely damaged by the timing of the book's appearance. It was released at a moment when the U.S. Communist Party had sunk to its lowest level in three decades, when, for the first time since 1924, it no longer published a daily newspaper, and when the ranks of even the hard-core Muscovite fanatics were crumbling.

Clearly this was an inauspicious moment to launch a volume depicting the battered local Communists as a clear and present danger to the republic, and rehashing in primer form the ancient history of Communist intrigue in the U.S.A. which has been told so many times and in so much sprightlier form. (It is, for example, difficult to be awed by Hoover's descriptions of the propaganda prowess of the defunct Daily Worker, which perished while his words were on the presses.) Yet that is what Hoover has done, and the volume is being treated in most places as if it were the latest edition of the Book of Revelations.

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From the front page of The Herald Tribune book section to the columns of The Saturday Review and the editorial page of The Daily News, there has been a chorus of wide-eyed acclamation reminiscent of the Russian book-pages in the days when Josef Stalin was a compulsory best-seller.

All this would not matter too much except for a parallel effort to defame any commentator who fails to give the appropriate salute to this tedious exercise.

Thus, while scholars like Walter Winchell award patriotic prizes to the H-T reviewer, George Sokolsky has devoted a full-scale essay to a critical assault on John Oakes of The Times. Mr. Oakes was uncharitable enough to point out that the Communist house had fallen in on author Hoover while he was at his typewriter; with quiet understatement Oakes remarked that there was "a slightly dated quality" about the book. (The only other daring review we have seen came from Leslie Hanscom in the World-Telegram and Sun who confessed with gay irreverence that reading so much old stuff bored him.)

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No doubt there is a certain virtue in playing for small children the old record of the duplicities of U. S. communism; but this book is not being advertised on the children's list. Certainly there is dubious merit in reviving old nightmares for adults at a moment when the great Communist offensives of our time are taking place on the political and economic battlefields of Europe and Asia.

Certainly, too, it is disquieting that the man deemed America's foremost expert on communism should publish a tome that alternately minimizes and overlooks the discords that have decimated the U. S. Communist Party and are shaking the Communist world. Saddest of all is the spectacle of a press which so generally feels compelled to regard the byline of J. Edgar Hoover as an announcement that all usual standards of critical judgment must be suspended.

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WHY END THIS RED PROBE?

The Board of Education says its five-year investigation of Communism in the city's college system will end March 31. Apparently the probe has done well—122 cases of alleged Commie teachers investigated, and appropriate decisions made in all except two cases not yet closed.

But why stop now? As J. Edgar Hoover shows in his new book, "Masters of Deceit," the Communist threat in this country is as serious as ever; and New York City has long harbored more Reds than any other American city.

Why not a permanent watchdog committee? It looks to us as if the Board of Higher Education has only well begun chasing and keeping Red rats off its premises.

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A Menace NOW

TWO undercover agents for the Federal Bureau of Investigation—one a slender, soft-spoken New Hampshire housewife—have testified in Boston before the House Subcommittee on Un-American Activities.

Their testimony reinforces a basic point that J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, makes in his magnificent book, "Masters of Deceit." Mr. Hoover expressed it as follows:

"Today, as I write these words, my conclusions remain the same. Communism is the major menace of our time."

Mrs. Carol H. Foster, of Nashua, N. H., and Armando Penha, of Fairhaven, Mass., who at great risk to their safety became counter agents of the FBI within Communist ranks, have offered factual corroboration in Boston.

Out of their stories has come a picture of Communist underground activities in New England, that extended into at least one area of communication (radio broadcasts), into a labor union, and comprised ceaseless Communist exploitation at community levels.

Here, also, is a rebuttal out of actual experience to the efforts of some Americans, acting with incredible naïvete or wilful distortion, to depreciate Mr. Hoover's book. They argue that because the open membership of the Communist Party has declined, the Communist menace is no longer important.

This is like saying that because part of an iceberg above the surface is melting, the 90 per cent below the surface ceases to be a danger.

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SUGGESTS A LOOK
 Bronx: Voicer Arnold Gollub,
 in his criticism of "Masters of
 Deceit," by J. Edgar Hoover,
 questions how "a pitiable" 8,000
 U. S. Reds can threaten our way
 of life. Mr. Hoover explains the
 tactical gambit whereby, in appro-
 priate season, the Kremlin moves
 most of the comrades into un-
 derground cells and front organi-
 zations. Citizens like Mr. Gollub,
 who know nothing of Red ma-
 chinations and treachery, should
 exert every effort to purchase
 and read "Masters of Deceit."
 T. FRANCIS BROWN.

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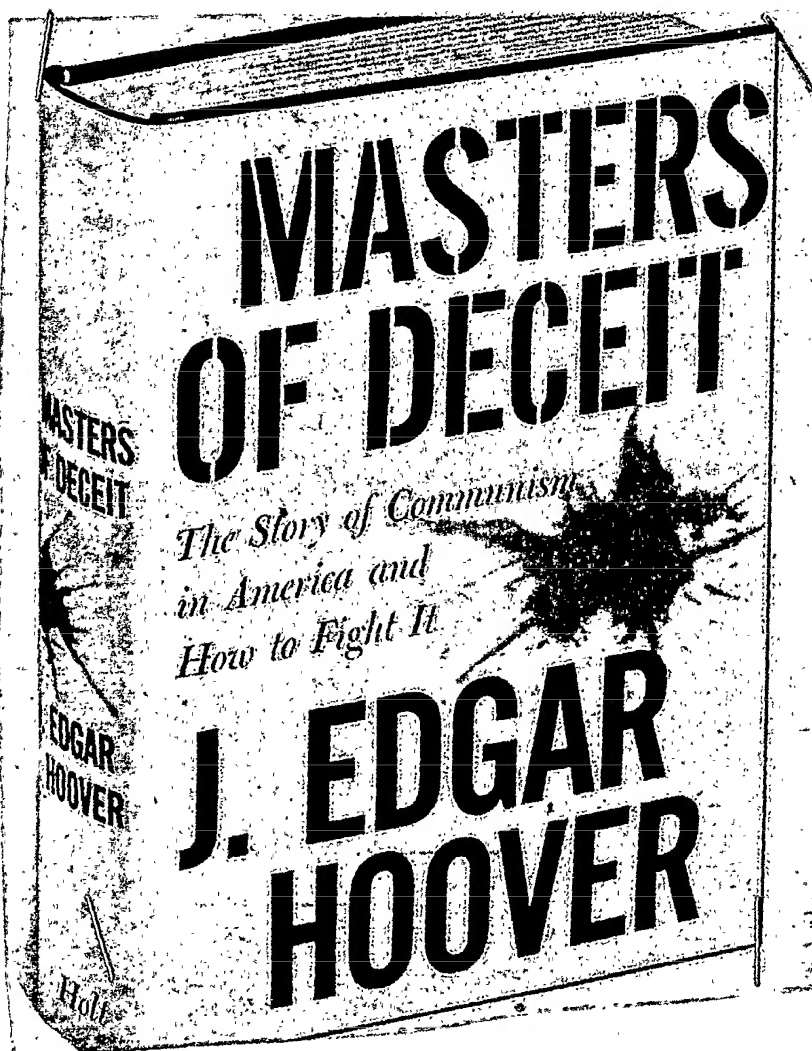
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Mr. Oakes, of the N. Y. Times, writes that Communism is not the menace that J. Edgar Hoover depicts it to be in his book "Masters of Deceit." Why then, are we spending 50 billion dollars a year if these Reds are not a menace to our country? Can this be explained?
A. J. SHEEKEY

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NEW YORK Confidential

By LEE MORTIMER

IT'S THE LAW: What's this? Records show the same number of lawyers as peace officers in the U.S. (An ambulance chaser to follow every policeman?) . . . Dezie Rome, of the Latin Quarter beauty choir, is studying to become a detective. (She can bust in on me without a warrant any time.) . . . Remind me to send a wire to Clyde Tolson April 2. That's when J. Edgar Hoover's trusty right arm celebrates his 30th year in the FBI, an unsung but faithful hero and dedicated servant of the public. . . Didn't I tell you what the "liberals," double-domes and anti-"anti-Communists" would try to do to Hoover and the Bureau after his exciting expose of the Reds' undercover tactics in "Masters of Deceit?" This was the 2nd Sunday the paper that prints all the news that "fits" couldn't fit the fastest selling book in America into its best seller list though it rose from "last" to 8th in the H.T.'s list in one week!

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Walter Winchell

of New York

Memo to a N.Y. editorial page sneerer: The initial 75,000 printing of J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit" was sold out in one week. The rainbow splashes in the "South Pacific" movie represent imagination at its most imaginative. . . Ed Wynn's latest acting gem portraying Uncle Samson in "Marjorie Morningstar"—makes him the King of Diamonds. . . The City Center has quite a record this season. All of its musical revivals attracted raves. . . Add golden type-writers: Newsweek reported that Edna Ferber's new book, "Ice Palace," was sold to Warner Brothers for \$350,000 plus 15 percent of the film's profits. The alphabet can be mighty valuable. . . Robert Peterson's essay about Roberta Sherwood in the Friday N.Y. Journal-American made throat tears over at this typewriter. Thankxxx.

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Walter Winchell

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Every literate man, woman and child in the United States should read J. Edgar Hoover's book, "Masters of Deceit" (published by Henry Holt). Not because it is the greatest detective thriller of the century, but because it is a blueprint on how to defend the moral foundations of our country. J. Edgar Hoover's services to our nation are among the greatest in its history—but he has never performed greater public service than in writing "Masters of Deceit." His real-life pin-pointing of the Communist enemy makes the fictional detective tales look like fairy nursery stories... Not the least important factor of this historically important book is that J. Edgar Hoover, in identifying the masters of deceit, has again identified—and unconsciously, the deep and justified faith of the American people in himself... Our only criticism of the book is that it is of such absorbing interest—as a story—that people will overlook that it is a textbook—by the great American who has mastered "Masters of Deceit."

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MASTERS OF DECEIT

Reds Manipulate Gullible 'Fronts'

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI since 1924, emphasizes that the danger to the United States from master Red plotters is as great as ever. In today's installment of his book, "Masters of Deceit," Hoover continues his description of how Communists work through fellow travelers and persons placed secretly in high places.

By J. EDGAR HOOVER

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

THE value of fellow travelers and sympathizers to the Communist Party lies in their apparent non-Communist affiliation. That is why, in most instances, Communist leaders do not attempt to recruit them into the Party. They are more valuable outside: as financial contributors, vocal mouthpieces, or contacts between Party officials and non-Communists. They constitute, in fact, front for, and defenders of, the Communist Party.

The role of these individuals can play for the Communists is clearly illustrated in front organizations, where they serve as sponsors or officials. Behind the scenes is a Communist manipulator. Consider, for example, one such organization. In October, 1951, the Daily Worker announced the formation of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, with one hundred fifty founders (from thirty-nine states), including fifty who were

educators, clergymen, and professionals.

One of the Committee's first official moves was to petition the New York State Commissioner of Education to "forbid the New York City Board of Education from enforcing its newly-enacted ban on suspected Communist teachers."

Gradually, as the old Civil Rights Congress, a well-known front, became discredited, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee took over its work. In 1956 the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, after identifying the Emergency Ci-

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vil Liberals Committee, stated, "when the Communist Party itself is under fire these fronts offer a bulwark of protection."

Names of Founders Exploited by Party

The names of the group's one hundred fifty founders have been exploited by the Party to fight its battles.

To make a known Party member the president of a front would immediately label it as "Communist." But if a sympathizer can be installed, especially a man of prominence, such as an educator, minister, or scientist, the group can operate as an "independent" organization.

This trick has worked time after time and is still working today. By allowing themselves to be used as tools, fellow travelers and sympathizers have immeasurably advanced the Communist cause.

Of particular interest to the Communists is the influence of fellow travelers and sympathizers in the "thought-molding" field: teachers, script writers, newspapermen, news analysts. If these individuals can be subjected to the slightest bit of Communist thought control, the Party will have won a major victory.

One individual in New York City, for example, once occupied an important role as a news commentator and author. His views were consistently pro-Communist. He represented himself as an authority on international affairs. He claimed to have talked personally to many of the world's leaders. Just as the Communists would want, everywhere he went he built himself up as an individual who could give the American people guidance in their thinking.

Concealed Red Paid Expenses for Tour

This commentator was simply irreplaceable in the Communist scheme. No open Communist could discuss current events before lecture audiences, behind the microphone, or through the written word with this sympathizer's degree of "objectivity" and "independence." He was able to fool many non-Communists and exert considerable influence. His lecture tours were often arranged by Communist-front groups. A concealed Communist contributed money to his expenses.



RED LEADER . . . Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, was a candidate last November for the New York City Council under the emblem of the People's Rights Party.

AP Photo.

Wherever this "world observer" went, he preached Communist-line and pro-Soviet propaganda. When his influence began to slip, he then changed his ways and sought his livelihood elsewhere.

Men and women of this caliber can do much to bring others into the Communist thought-control net. No wonder the Party works to support them.

Another group that falls, on occasion, under Communist thought control consists of opportunists, individuals who, if they can benefit personally, will knowingly support the Party in return for support or favors from it.

In a large Midwestern city, a non-Communist labor leader had aspirations to become president of a union council. A group of Communists, opposed to the then president, decided that this labor leader could be controlled. They drafted him as a candidate and, of course, on the election slate placed also some Party members. The labor leader won the election, and so did the Com-

munist, because they gained a man over whom they had a hold and whom they could therefore expect to use.

The opportunist was then pushed into various front organizations; he was put on the board of a Communist-sponsored school; designated as a delegate to a convention of a front group; enlisted to join a campaign to oppose the "anti-Communist clause" in a statewide labor convention. He was besieged constantly to "do this" and "help us."

Stress Importance As Labor Leader

His value to the Party was shown, for example, when, even though he refused on a certain occasion to cooperate with a Party front, his position was defended by the Party. The opportunist, in the Party's eyes, was more important to it as a labor leader than as a supporter of the front.

For some time the deal paid off. The opportunist reaped the prestige and the Commun-

its had a champion. Then things began to change. The opportunist had his own ideas and ceased to follow the Party lead. Relations became strained.

When the Communists wanted the city-wide council to endorse a well-known comrade as a candidate for the Board of Education, they brought up the motion at a meeting when the opportunist was absent. The Communist candidate was endorsed.

That was too much for the opportunist, who promptly issued a public statement denying that he was backing the Communist candidate. A special meeting of the Council was called to reconsider its action.

The Communists now moved into high gear. Word went out that the opportunist would have to be "put in his place" for publicly denouncing the Communist candidate.

At a special meeting the opportunist took the floor and successfully led the fight to reverse the Council's endorsement of a Communist. The Communists were bitter in their condemnation of their onetime protegee; he was a "traitor" and a "hypocrite." Deciding he had had enough, the opportunist resigned the presidency.

Many in U. S. Duped Into Extending Help

A tragedy of the past generation in the United States is that so many persons, including high-ranking statesmen, public officials, educators, ministers of the gospel, professional men, have been duped into helping communism. Communist leaders have proclaimed that communism must be partly built with non-Communist hands, and this, to a large extent, is true.

Communist propaganda is tailored to attract non-Communists. Communism offers a bogus "spiritual appeal," a "Kingdom of Gold on earth." Its tactics and strategy are covered with attractive, appealing words, such as "freedom," "justice," and "equality." The Communists claim they are working for a "better world."

Many well-meaning citizens, attracted by these words and not seeing behind the Communist intentions, have been swept into the Communist thought-control net.

"Fool the non-Communists." That is the slogan. And, time after time, in almost unbelievable fashion, victims, somehow or other under Communist thought control, do communism work: signing Commu-

REDS' FUTURE GOAL EVIL

Communists have demonstrated they would cast away all the fruits of history, religion and free government upon assumption of power. J. Edgar Hoover tells about this philosophy in tomorrow's installment of "Masters of Deceit," appearing exclusively in the N. Y. Journal-American.

In subsequent chapters he will tell of:

- The Communists' offer of a spurious "brighter world."
- Communist exploration of basic yearnings for improved social conditions.
- The disillusionment that comes to many Red followers.

nist election petitions, contributing time or money to Communist fronts, issuing statements in support of Communist-sponsored campaigns.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA, quite recently was a candidate for the New York City Council under the emblem of the People's Rights Party.

Communists canvassed to obtain at least 3000 signatures on petitions required by law to place her name on the ballot. They went over the goal with the help of non-Communists. In the Nov. 5, 1957, election, however, Flynn received fewer than 1,000 votes.

Sham Political Unit To Cover Candidates

The People's Rights Party is a sham political party created to give the Communist Party the legal right to run Communist candidates.

In 1946, 1952, 1954 and again in 1957 Communist candidates have run for municipal, state or national office in New York City under the banner of the People's Rights Party. Each time signatures had to be obtained to secure the right of the PRP to place its candidates on the ballot.

Another instance of Party manipulation to gain the support of non-Communists was the campaign in the summer of 1957 to solicit signatures for petitions opposing the further testing of nuclear weapons by the United States Government. Most of these signatures, of course, were those of non-Communists. On this issue the Party was slavishly following the line of international Communism. Communist strategy is to provide the leadership, encouraging non-Communists to do the work.

Not that these individual are Communists. The great

and does not recognize the hidden motive.

Party officials, like fishermen, are constantly watching their "nets" to see what the fishing will bring. Each day, unfortunately, communist thought-control nets, sweeping through American life, catch new supporters, new members, several sympathizers, an opportunist, many victims. The strength of the Communist Party depends, at any given time, on the number of fish in the net.

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TOMORROW: How Reds place power above humanity.

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Hearst Papers Buy J. Edgar

By DAVID SENTNER

WASHINGTON: William Randolph Hearst Jr., Editor-in-Chief, announced today the purchase by Hearst Newspapers of exclusive serial rights to one of the year's most important and provocative books—J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit."

Hoover Story

The book is the FBI chief's own true, amazing story of the greatest conflict in history—Communism vs. Free Society—and how it affects the life of every American citizen.

Purchase price was not disclosed but was said to be one of the largest sums ever paid for a newspaper series. Rights were obtained from the publishers, Henry Holt & Co. Inc.

Exclusive newspaper serialization will begin Sunday, April 13, in the N. Y. Journal-American and other Hearst Newspapers from coast to coast. It thus will appear almost simultaneously with publication of the book itself.

Mr. Hearst, in making the announcement, said:

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PRESIDENTIAL PRAISE . . . J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI, receives the President's Award from President Eisenhower at White House ceremony. Hoover was cited for distinguished Federal civil service. International News Photo

the moment of its first rehearsal, there occasionally comes advance word of a book so exciting that publishers scramble to out-bid one another for exclusive serial rights.

"Such a book, our editors are convinced, is 'Masters of Deceit,' by J. Edgar Hoover. It

is the remarkable story of how a world-wide power conspiracy uses trickery, terror, cunning and fanaticism to undermine the democratic foundations of our society—always working toward the ultimate goal of a violent and forceful seizure of power.

"The serialization of this story by Hearst Newspapers represents a great journalistic coup. Its informative and dramatic readability will stand as the year's most important service to readers by our newspapers. Three generations of Americans have held J. Edgar Hoover in the highest respect."

Since its publication in book form a few days ago, the Hoover story has been acclaimed by press and public alike. Washington officialdom, prominent leaders in education, and distinguished clergymen have described it as an unforgettable account of the frightening facts about the vast Red conspiracy.

The book serialization will be distributed nationally by King Features Syndicate.

*Mr. Sentner is Washington Bureau Chief of
the Hearst Newspapers.*

The Story Is Just About Over But the Serial Has Just Begin

A local gazette is currently serializing J. Edgar Hoover's somewhat obsolete tome on U. S. Communists with headlines emphasizing that we are in clear and present danger of being overrun by the local Kremlinites. As a footnote we reprint here the following from an exclusive, detailed story which appeared in yesterday's Post under Ted Poston's by-line:

The Communist Party U. S. A., torn by internal dissension and riddled by mass resignations, has plummeted to fewer than 3,000 dues-paying members, an all-time low.

Let's face it, history has caught up with the U. S. Communists and overtaken author Hoover. But who will say so in a public place?

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New Yorkers Are Talking About...

J. Edgar Hoover celebrating his 34th year as FBI chief. A lucky 34 years for Mr. and Mrs. United States. Incidentally, his book, "Masters of Deceit," is now the No. 1 best-seller, thus confirming a forecast the colyum made a month before the book was published. Ed Murrow's gift to the guests who appear on his Person-to-Person show. A golden ruler. Jackie Robinson being blackballed by a country club. Such bigots don't deserve to belong to the same club as Mr. Robinson. The way Maurice Chevalier sings "The Night They Invented Champagne." The song was invented for Chevalier. George Burns' reply to a reporter who asked whether Burns intended retiring: "I can't retire—I'm too old!"

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F.B.I. HEAD GETS AWARD

Christophers Cite Hoover for Book, 'Masters of Deceit'

J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and author of "Masters of Deceit," has been named one of five winners of Christopher awards for books published during the six months ended March 31. Mr. Hoover's publisher was Henry Holt & Co.

Father James Keller, founder of the Christophers, said the awards, bronze plaques, were given semi-annually to authors "whose works reflect positive values and constructive use of their God-given talents."

Other winners were J. Donald Adams, who conducts "The Speaking of Books" page of The New York Times Book Review, for his anthology, "Triumph Over Odds," Duell, Sloan & Pearce; Charles Ferguson for "Naked to Mine Enemies," Little, Brown & Co.; Oscar Handlin for "Al Smith and His America," Little, Brown & Co., and W. A. Swanberg for "First Blood—The Story of Fort Sumter," Charles Scribner's Sons.

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FBI Director Wins Christopher Award

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, author of the best-selling "Masters of Deceit," today was named one of the five winners of the semi-annual Christopher book awards.

The Rev. James Keller, founder of the Christophers, emphasized in an announcement that the awards are given to "authors whose works reflect positive values and the constructive use of their God-given talents."

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FBI Director Wins Christopher Prize

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, and author of "Masters of Deceit," today was cited as one of the five winners of Christopher Awards for books published in the six months ending March 31.

"Masters of Deceit," an expose of the Communist conspiracy in America, was published serially in the N. Y. Journal-American, and other Hearst Newspapers.

Father James Keller, founder of The Christophers, said the awards are given semi-annually to authors whose works "reflect positive values and the constructive use of their God-given talents."

OTHER AWARDS

Other receiving the latest Christopher awards were:

J. Donald Adams for "Triumph over Odds,"

Charles Ferguson for "Naked to Mine Enemies,"

Oscar Handlin for "Al Smith and His America,"

W. A. Swanberg for "First Blood — The Story of Fort Sumter."

Each of the authors was presented with a bronze plaque engraved with the Christopher motto: "Better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

The Christopher movement, which has headquarters at 18 E. 48th st., emphasizes the importance of each individual taking constructive steps to strengthen government, education, labor relations, literature and entertainment.

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HY GARDNER CALLING

What's New???

Wonder how the British can keep super spy Claude Fuchs from falling into the hands of East Germany after he is released from prison next year after serving nine and a half years of a fourteen-year sentence. Note from J. Edgar Hoover re our item that the Miami "Herald" used a photo of the wrong Hoover, former President Herbert Hoover, to illustrate one of the articles in J. Edgar's best-selling "Masters of Deceit" book: "I hope my former chief is not too much perturbed about using his picture in place of mine. I predict it will increase the number of readers by quite a bit."

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POSTSCRIPT to "MATTERS OF DECEIT": Further underscoring J. Edgar Hoover's repeated warnings of the danger of communism is a statement made in 1931 by Professor Mandilsky, then head of the Moscow War College: "A final struggle between communism and capitalism is unavoidable. To be sure, we are not strong enough today (1931) to attack. Our moment will come in twenty to thirty years. We will begin by starting the most theatrical peace movement that ever existed. The capitalistic countries, being stupid and decadent, will walk with pleasure towards their own destruction. They will walk into the trap of what seems a new opportunity for friendship. . . . And as soon as their protective ring is bared we will smash them with our closed fist!"

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By DOROTHY KILGALIEN

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THE PRODUCERS of "The FBI Story" are faced with a rare kind of problem: They haven't been able to settle on the identity of the actual G-man who plugged Dillinger that night he was fingered by "the lady in red" . . . It's hard to imagine how Paul Newman could get free of the flickers, after his success in "The Long Hot Summer," but there's talk that he'll return to the Broadway stage in N. Richard Nash's new play, "Handful of Stars," in 1. Battle lines are still forming on the fashion front: A report from Paris soiree describes Mme. Elsa Schiaparelli as "giving everyone in a sack dress a black look" . . . Coincidentally, the first star of the burlesque business to give the new style a boost is Tempest Storm. She's cut her long tresses and is posing for publicity photos wearing a baggy chemise.

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'Masters of Deceit' Hailed

To the Editor,

Accidentally I came across "MASTERS OF DECEIT" and because of its masterful compilation of how "fraud" and "front organizations," especially in the educational field, operate to corrupt the good of a nation I thought it imperative the public should know.

Mr. Hoover does a remarkably excellent job in telling how and who the real culprits are infiltrating our society with evil and suffering. It opened my eyes as to the power of "deceit" prevailing as against the truth, and I could not help wondering how many of us know the facts and how to deal with them. He shows how we are victims and dupes of an under-current of conspiracy and he points out how each of us can fight this vilest of crimes, so that only a murderer at heart would fail to take heed of what he says. This book should be read by every good patriot as the key to why there is so much violence, misery and unhappiness. In short, it is our complacency toward "fraud" that is the malignant disease corrupting society and our American way of life; lack of knowledge as to the facts and a sound, fundamental philosophy to aspire to.

We are too unpatriotic. It does not occur to us we must be patriotic to keep our coun-

try's freedom alive. To be a good patriot is like being a good mother and father who know that they must maintain a good home for their children. Likewise, a good patriot sees to it that America continues to be the greatest home on earth. So it is, what this country needs is more patriotism — more consciousness as to how the vital factors of our life are neglected.

Respectfully I quote from Ayn Rand's "Art and Morality: Treason"—a value goal to be achieved by a series of steps, of choices—and it cannot be practiced without a clear vision of the goal without a concretized image of the idea to be reached.

The above scattered words out of context cannot mean much to anyone, but I had to note them to convey how a real sense of freedom is an absolute not to be denied anyone, and that the only way to obtain it is to work for it—to be a patriot, is one way.

What is a sense of freedom? Have you ever for one moment achieved your deepest ideal? If you haven't, try it once! It is like a breath of another world cleansing your soul. There is no sensation more exquisite.

To know it is to love it, so we work to stamp out "fraud," by learning about what Mr. Hoover has revealed about socialism's curse.

"The Party's illegal activities, such as aid to Soviet espionage; endeavoring to place concealed members in sensitive positions in government, education and industry; maintaining clandestine communication networks."

It is very evident, from the facts Mr. Hoover uncovers that the psychopathic theory of socialism has crept into our government and educational system, crippling the backbone of our American way of life.

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